

Carbon County 2003 Count of Persons by Age, Race, and Gender

School Age	White Alone		Black Alone		Asian Alone and American Indian & Alaska Native Alone		Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander Alone		Two or More Races		Hispanic or Latino of any Race	
	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female
5 to 9	523	247	5	2	6	4	5	4	10	7	19	8
10 to 14	630	301	4	1	5	2	8	3	5	1	29	14
15 to 19	683	323	2	0	5	3	3	0	5	3	21	12
20 to 24	549	259	5	1	6	3	4	2	6	4	21	9
Total	2,385	1,130	16	4	22	12	20	9	26	15	90	43

Working Age	White Alone		Black Alone		Asian Alone and American Indian & Alaska Native Alone		Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander Alone		Two or More Races		Hispanic or Latino of any Race	
	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female
15+	7,986	4,024	25	8	48	21	35	19	30	17	115	65
15-64	6,416	3,197	25	8	44	18	33	18	30	17	109	60
20+	7,303	3,701	23	8	43	18	32	19	25	14	94	53
20-64	5,733	2,874	23	8	39	15	30	18	25	14	88	48

Other Age Group	White Alone		Black Alone		Asian Alone and American Indian & Alaska Native Alone		Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander Alone		Two or More Races		Hispanic or Latino of any Race	
	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female
0 to 4	440	204	1	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	13	8
5 to 19	1,836	871	11	3	16	9	16	7	20	11	69	34
20 to 44	2,781	1,400	18	6	27	12	16	7	17	11	57	30
45 to 64	2,952	1,474	5	2	12	3	14	11	8	3	31	18
65+	1,570	827	0	0	4	3	2	1	0	0	6	5
Total	9,579	4,776	35	11	61	27	48	26	47	25	176	95

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2003 Population Estimates

Compiled by: Research & Analysis Bureau

Top 10 Private Employers in Carbon County Listed in Alphabetical Order

Beartooth Hospital & Health Center

Pollard Hotel

Beartooth IGA

Red Lodge Mountain Resort

Bogart's Restaurant

Red Lodge Pizza Company

Bridge Creek Backcountry Kitchen & Wine Bar

Rock Creek Resort

Cedar Wood Villa

Yellowstone Furniture Manufacturing Co.

Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Research & Analysis Bureau
Second Quarter 2004 Unemployment Insurance Information. This list includes ONLY private industry employers subject to Unemployment Insurance. Railroads and city, county, state, and federal government agencies (including public school districts and universities) are excluded.

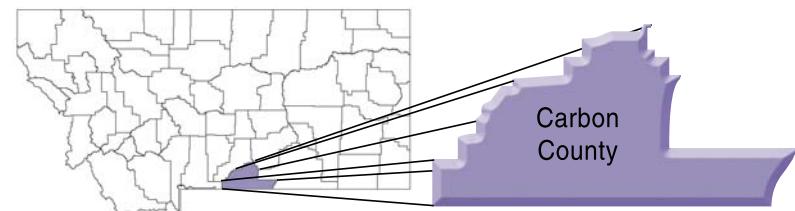


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Labor Market Information

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For Carbon County



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Carbon County

Located in southcentral Montana, Carbon County is seventh out of all Montana counties for number of beef cattle ranches with 315 (see table to the right) and an important player in Montana's cattle industry. The cattle industry is the number one agricultural industry in Montana in terms of sales and revenues, according to the 2002 Census of Agriculture. The county is number 11 in the state for total number of farms and ranches.

Beginning in 2005, Carbon County is part of the Billings Metropolitan Statistical Area, the state's largest economic center and included in the Research and Analysis Bureau's various survey results for the area, i.e., monthly industry employment and unemployment calculations. The commuter table (see table to the right) shows one-fourth of Carbon County residents work in Yellowstone County. Yellowstone County is number one in the state in per capita income at \$28,330 for 2002, and Carbon County is \$25,792. Residents commuting to Yellowstone County to work contribute to a higher per capita income for Carbon County. Carbon County is ranked ninth in the state in per capita income. According to the U.S. Bureau of the Census, median income for Carbon County households in 2002 was \$33,644, compared to Montana's median income of \$34,105 for the same year. Median income is the average per household income in the county (no matter how many people live in the home); per capita income (inside table) is all income in the county divided by the number of people in the county.

Information on the inside table, Employment by Industry, Annual Averages for 2003, shows tourism is important to the area economy. Most of the tourism activity is due to Carbon County being a gateway to Yellowstone National Park. Tourism isn't a specific industry, but combining retail trade, amusement and recreation, and accommodations and food services accounts for one-half of all the total private jobs in the county on an annual average basis. Because these jobs are lower-paying and seasonal, the total private average wage is only 70 percent of the statewide average wage. The bordering counties of Stillwater (platinum) and Rosebud (coal) have a large number of mining jobs, and Carbon County has one of only two limestone mines, but with minimal employment.

Carbon County is Montana's 20th most populous with 9,770 residents, according to the 2003 Census Bureau estimates. Red Lodge, the county seat, is the state's 31st largest city with a population of 2,273.

Red Lodge is named after the Crow Indians' red lodges of teepees. The town is located in the Beartooth/Absaroka Mountain Range and considered by many to be the most beautiful gateway to Yellowstone National Park. Sports enthusiasts enjoy golfing and skiing. According to the *Montana Almanac*, by authors Andrea Merrill and Judy Jacobson, the county was established in 1895 and named "Carbon" because of the coal deposits and coal mining. The county is home to Granite Peak, the highest elevation in the state.

Carbon County Population

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Area	7/1/2003 Estimate	7/1/2002 Estimate	4/1/2000 Census	4/1/1990 Census	Percent Change 2002-2003	Percent Change 2000-2003	Percent Change 1990-2000
Montana	917,621	910,372	902,195	799,065	0.8%	1.7%	12.9%
Carbon County	9,770	9,721	9,552	8,080	0.5%	2.3%	18.2%
Bear Creek	83	83	83	37	0.0%	0.0%	124.3%
Brider	759	755	745	692	0.5%	1.9%	7.7%
Fromberg	498	495	486	370	0.6%	2.5%	31.4%
Joliet	586	583	575	522	0.5%	1.9%	10.2%
Red Lodge	2,273	2,252	2,177	1,958	0.9%	4.4%	11.2%

Carbon County Farms and Ranches

Total Farms and Ranches	703
Oilseed & Grain Farming	28
Vegetable & Melon Farming	5
Fruit & Tree Nut Farming	2
Greenhouse, Nursery & Floriculture Production	1
Sugar Beets, Hay & All Other Crops	207
Beef Cattle Ranching & Farming	315
Cattle Feedlots	13
Dairy Cattle & Milk Production	0
Hog & Pig Farming	0
Poultry & Egg Production	2
Sheep & Goat Farming	24
Animal Aquaculture & Other Animal Production	106

Source: USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service, 2002 Census of Agriculture

2000 Carbon County Commuters by Location

County of Residence	# Who Work in Carbon County	County of Work	# Who Live in Carbon County
Out of State	34	Out of State	101
Broadwater County	1	Big Horn County	12
Carbon County	3021	Carbon County	3021
Cascade County	2	Custer County	3
Flathead County	3	Judith Basin County	5
Gallatin County	13	Lewis & Clark County	4
Golden Valley County	1	Rosebud County	9
Rosebud County	7	Stillwater County	167
Stillwater County	55	Sweet Grass County	17
Yellowstone County	115	Yellowstone County	1,117
		Other Montana Counties	12

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2000 Data



Montana Department of Labor & Industry's Research & Analysis Bureau



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Be sure to check our location quotients for Carbon County on the website. Location quotients are a measure of the concentration of an industry's employment in Carbon County relative to the nation as a whole. A location quotient generally greater than 1 indicates that the industry is more concentrated in Carbon County than in the nation as a whole, while a location quotient less than 1 indicates it is less concentrated in Carbon County than in the nation as a whole.

Resources

Census and Economic Information for Montana:

Census and Economic Information Center, Montana Department of Commerce, P. O. Box 200505, Helena, MT 59620-0505, 406-841-2740 or check out the Internet website at <http://ceic.commerce.mt.gov/>

Chambers of Commerce:

Bridger Chamber, P. O. Box 99, Bridger, MT 59014, 406-662-3728
Red Lodge Chamber, P. O. Box 988, Red Lodge, MT 59068, 888-281-0625, <http://www.redlodge.com>

Department of Labor and Industry:

Billings Job Service Workforce Center, 2121 Rosebud Drive, Stop B, Billings, MT 59102-6274, 406-652-3080, <http://jsd.dli.mt.gov/local/billings/>

Economic Development:

Beartooth RC&D, P. O. Box 180, Joliet, MT 59041, 406-962-3914

Internet:

Montana Workforce Services home page for job listings at <http://jsd.dli.mt.gov/>.

For information on the Internet about cities and towns of Bearcreek, Belfry, Boyd, Bridger, Edgar, Fromberg, Joliet, Luther, Red Lodge, Roberts, Roscoe, and Silesia go to <http://www.visitmt.com> and click on "cities and towns."

Montana Motor Vehicle Division:

Drivers' Licensing

Red Lodge—17 W. 11th, Red Lodge, MT 59068, 406-446-1221

Newspaper:

Carbon County News, P. O. Box 970, Red Lodge, MT 59068-0970, 406-446-2222,

<http://www.carboncountynews.com>

Carbon County Public Schools, Kindergarten through 12th Grade:

Belfry K-12 Schools, P. O. Box 210, Belfry, MT 59008, 406-664-3319
Boyd Elementary, P. O. Box 298, Boyd, MT 59013, 406-962-3374
Bridger K-12 Schools, P. O. Box 467, Bridger, MT 59014-0467, 406-662-3533
Edgar Elementary, P. O. Box 84, Edgar, MT 59026, 406-259-9370
Fromberg Public Schools, P. O. Box 189, Fromberg, MT 59029, 406-668-7611
Jackson Elementary, (nonoperating district) HC 49 Box 3160, Red Lodge, MT 59068
Joliet Public Schools, P. O. Box 590, Joliet, MT 59041, 406-962-2200
Luther Elementary, HC 49 Box 3165, Luther, MT 59068, 406-445-2329
Red Lodge Public Schools, P. O. Box 1090, Red Lodge, MT 59068, 406-446-1804
Roberts K-12 Schools, P. O. Box 78, Roberts, MT 59070, 406-445-2421

Carbon County Annual Average Labor Force

Year	Civilian Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
2003	4,654	4,477	177	3.8%
2002	4,615	4,423	192	4.2%
2001	4,672	4,458	214	4.6%
2000	4,843	4,591	252	5.2%
1999	4,857	4,596	261	5.4%
1998	4,751	4,464	287	6.0%
1997	4,603	4,335	268	5.8%
1996	4,461	4,209	252	5.6%
1995	4,232	3,977	255	6.0%
1994	4,038	3,809	229	5.7%
1993	3,874	3,648	226	5.8%
1992	3,924	3,714	210	5.4%
1991	3,793	3,542	251	6.6%
1990	3,728	3,569	159	4.3%
1989	3,972	3,747	225	5.7%
1988	4,095	3,836	259	6.3%
1987	4,056	3,762	294	7.2%
1986	4,264	3,918	346	8.1%
1985	4,256	3,940	316	7.4%
1984	4,295	3,979	316	7.4%
1983	3,951	3,658	293	7.4%
1982	3,727	3,457	270	7.2%
1981	3,566	3,404	162	4.5%
1980	3,281	3,135	146	4.4%
1979	3,247	3,106	141	4.3%
1978	3,300	3,097	203	6.2%
1977	3,414	3,227	187	5.5%
1976	3,294	3,120	174	5.3%
1975	3,126	2,936	190	6.1%
1974	3,252	3,091	161	5.0%
1973	3,102	2,947	155	5.0%
1972	2,936	2,750	186	6.3%
1971	2,781	2,638	143	5.1%
1970	2,783	2,646	137	4.9%

Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Research and Analysis Bureau (2003 Benchmark).

Carbon County Per Capita Personal Income

Year	U.S.	Carbon	% of National Average	Year	U.S.	Carbon	% of National Average
2002	\$30,795	\$25,792	84%	1995	\$23,076	\$18,190	79%
2001	\$30,580	\$25,264	83%	1994	\$22,172	\$17,393	78%
2000	\$29,847	\$24,050	81%	1993	\$21,346	\$17,993	84%
1999	\$27,939	\$22,825	82%	1992	\$20,854	\$17,136	82%
1998	\$26,883	\$22,373	83%	1991	\$19,892	\$16,521	83%
1997	\$25,334	\$20,494	81%	1990	\$19,477	\$14,942	77%
1996	\$24,175	\$19,269	80%				

Public Libraries:

Bridger Public Library, 119 W. Broadway, Bridger, MT 59014-0428, 406-662-3598

Joliet Public Library, 211 E. Front St., Joliet, MT 59041-9701, 406-962-3013

Red Lodge Carnegie Library, 3 W. 8th, Red Lodge, MT 59068-0168, 406-446-1905

Carbon County Employment by Industry*

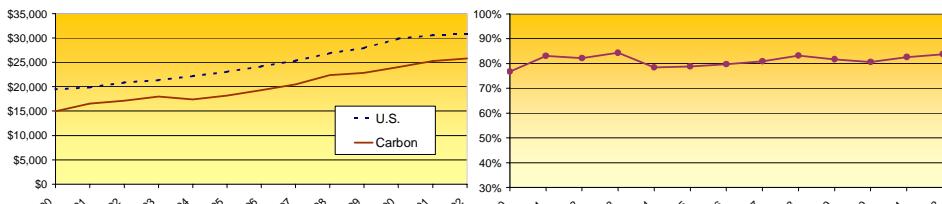
Annual Averages 2003

Industry	# of Establishments	Average Annual Employment	Annual Wages Paid
TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES	413	2,467	\$48,002,392
TOTAL PRIVATE	370	1,883	\$33,848,690
AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, FISHING & HUNTING	12	44	\$899,406
Crop Production	4	8	\$204,781
Animal Production	5	24	\$498,981
Agriculture and Forestry Support	4	12	\$195,644
MINING	9	23	\$727,700
Support Activities for Mining	5	12	\$307,706
UTILITIES	5	30	\$1,635,846
CONSTRUCTION	70	177	\$4,414,193
Construction of Buildings	29	79	\$1,793,823
Heavy & Civil Engineering Construction	9	27	\$795,354
Specialty Trade Contractors	32	72	\$1,825,016
MANUFACTURING	13	99	\$2,446,679
Food Manufacturing	4	25	\$481,520
WHOLESALE TRADE	12	35	\$817,754
Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	3	16	\$362,639
Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods	4	14	\$273,425
Electronic Markets & Agents & Brokers	5	5	\$181,690
RETAIL TRADE	55	287	\$3,870,658
Motor Vehicle Parts and Dealers	5	40	\$716,042
Building Material & Garden Supply Stores	5	51	\$706,208
Food & Beverage Stores	7	60	\$945,826
Gasoline Stations	6	44	\$442,845
Clothing and Clothing Accessories Stores	7	36	\$472,579
Sporting Goods, Hobby, Book, Music Stores	5	14	\$89,059
Miscellaneous Store Retailers	13	27	\$220,910
TRANSPORTATION & WAREHOUSING	8	15	\$552,296
Truck Transportation	6	6	\$125,452
INFORMATION	6	34	\$810,213
FINANCE AND INSURANCE	8	47	\$1,564,533
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities	3	17	\$633,727
REAL ESTATE AND RENTAL AND LEASING	19	38	\$441,734
Real Estate	16	36	\$410,962
Rental & Leasing Services	3	2	\$30,772
PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL SERVICES	32	94	\$2,030,064
ADMINISTRATIVE AND WASTE SERVICES	10	41	\$771,399
HEALTH CARE AND SOCIAL ASSISTANCE	16	213	\$4,604,462
Ambulatory Health Care Services	5	16	\$511,395
Social Assistance	9	53	\$605,550
ARTS, ENTERTAINMENT, AND RECREATION	11	160	\$2,082,214
Amusements, Gambling, and Recreation	6	150	\$1,894,749
ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD SERVICES	49	489	\$5,281,385
Accommodation	11	163	\$1,940,871
Food Services and Drinking Places	38	326	\$3,340,514
OTHER SERVICES	33	52	\$752,367
Membership Associations & Organizations	10	24	\$361,836
Private Households	13	18	\$207,819
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	43	585	\$14,153,702
Local Government	19	456	\$9,828,791
State Government	13	50	\$1,723,902
Federal Government	11	79	\$2,601,009

Source: Montana Department of Labor and Industry, Research and Analysis Bureau. (Totals may not add due to nondisclosure of confidential industry data or to rounding.) *This data is based on the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) series which compiles data reported by all employers covered under Montana unemployment insurance.

Per Capita Personal Income

Percent of National Average



Source: U.S. Department of Commerce Bureau of Economic Analysis, Regional Economic Information System. Released September 2004

Summary of Major Occupational Categories by Gender 2000 Census-Equal Employment Opportunity Data Employed Persons 16 Years and Older - Carbon County

Occupation	Total	Male	Female
<i>Total</i>	4,566	2,462	2,104
<i>Management, professional, and related occupations:</i>	1,617	802	815
Management, business, and financial operations occupations:	802	528	274
Management, except farmers and farm managers	340	212	128
Farmers and farm managers	357	283	74
Business and financial operations occupations:	105	33	72
Professional and related occupations:	815	274	541
Education, training, and library occupations	291	60	231
Healthcare practitioners and technical occupations:	223	51	172
Service occupations:	763	281	482
Protective service occupations:	56	55	1
Food preparation and serving related occupations	347	113	234
Building and grounds cleaning and maintenance occupations	137	57	80
Personal care and service occupations	130	40	90
Sales and office occupations:	977	324	653
Sales and related occupations	480	244	236
Office and administrative support occupations	497	80	417
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	131	107	24
<i>Construction, extraction, and maintenance occupations:</i>	631	615	16
Construction and extraction occupations:	430	416	14
Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations	201	199	2
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations:	447	333	114
Production occupations	220	136	84
Motor vehicle operators	158	135	23
Material moving workers	44	39	5

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Equal Employment Opportunity File, www.census.gov/eeo 2001.